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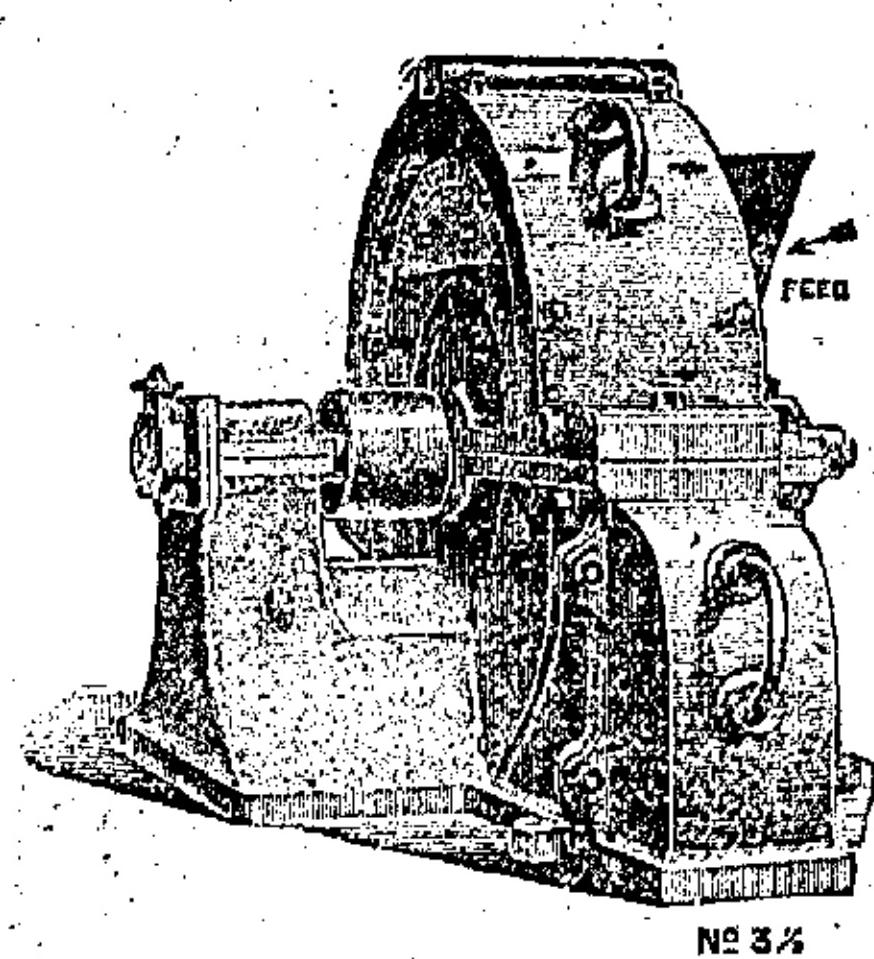
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SANITARY BOARD.

OWNERS of Houses situated in the Eastern Division or the City of Victoria and in the Eastern Division of Kowloon, who have not had their premises lime-washed and cleansed in accordance with Law, are required to do the said cleaning which the work should be finished ends on the 28th day of February, 1893, and the Sanitary Board being convinced of the necessity of cleanliness in its efforts to stamp out plague, is determined to rigorously prosecute any owner in default after the above-named date.

The Eastern Division of the City lies to the East of Garden Road. The Eastern Division of Kowloon is all the part of the Kowloon Peninsula to the West of Queen's Road, and includes Hung Hom and part of Tsui Sha Tsui.

By Order,
C. W. DUGGAN,
Secretary.

Hongkong, February 3, 1893. 299

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Office of the Company on WEDNESDAY, the SEVENTH day of March Proximo, at Noon, for the purpose of passing the following Resolutions:

1. That the proposal of the Directors to call up the unpaid Capital of the Company in one Call of \$50 per Share, PAYABLE on 1st July, is approved.

And if such Resolution is passed, for the purpose of passing the following Special Resolution:

2. That the Profits accrued to the Company from the issue at a premium of the New Shares in the Company authorised to be issued by the Special Resolution passed on the 6th, and confirmed on the 23rd day of April, 1892, amounting to the sum of \$1,230,000, and which was then carried, and is now standing to the credit of the Reserve Fund in pursuance of such Special Resolution, be capitalized and be applied in part payment of the Call of \$50 per Share on all the Shares in the Company, to be made by the Board.

Should the above Special Resolution be passed by the required Majority, it will be submitted for consideration at a subsequent Meeting to be called for the purpose in due course.

By Order of the Board,
A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary.

Hongkong, February 20, 1893. 401

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE THIRTY-FIRST ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Company's Offices, No. 3, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, on THURSDAY, the 8th March, at Twelve o'clock (Noon) for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1892.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 22nd Inst. to the 8th March, both days inclusive.

By Order,
GEO. L. TOMLIN,
Secretary.

Hongkong, February 9, 1893. 308

GEO. FENWICK & COMPANY, LTD.

THE ELEVENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Honkong Hotel, on TUESDAY, the 27th February, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, declaring a Dividend, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 22nd to 27th February, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
W. G. WINTERBURN,
General Manager.

Hongkong, February 21, 1893. 403

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Hongkong, February 21, 1893. 404

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Dress Circle and Stalls, £3
Pit, £1
Half-price to the P.M. for Soldiers,
Sailors, and Police in Uniform.

Tickets can be obtained at the Booking Office of the Theatre, City Hall, on and after MONDAY, the 5th February, 1900, at 10 a.m.

The Booking Office will be open daily from that date from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., except on Race days, when it will be open from 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

Last Train will run 1 hour after the fall of the curtain.

H. C. NICOLLE,
Acting Manager.
Hongkong, Feb. 17, 1900.

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Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.
M. R. H. N. MOYD has received instructions to sell by
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The Property contains a total area of 75,519 square feet, and is held by the residues of two several terms of 75 years from the 10th December, 1877, and the 10th December, 1878, respectively, and is subject to the Annual Crown Rent of \$15.41 and \$2.83.

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Messrs DEACON & HASTINGS,
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THE AUCTIONEER.

Hongkong, February 5, 1900.

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MUSIC.

MAESTRO GALLUZZI, of the Royal Conservatoire of Naples, is prepared to receive a limited number of pupils.

Apply to

MAESTRO GALLUZZI,
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Hongkong, November 25, 1899.

THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Company's Office, No. 2, Connaught Road, at Noon, on MONDAY, the 5th March, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1899.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 23rd Feb. to 6th March, both days inclusive.

EDWARD OSBORNE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, February 17, 1900.

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THE CHINA-BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE First Ordinary Yearly MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Offices of the Company, No. 1, Queen's Buildings, on WEDNESDAY, the 28th day of February, at 12 o'clock (noon), to receive a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1899, and the Report of the Manager and Consulting Committee and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditor.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 14th to the 28th February, both days inclusive.

J. WHEELEY,
Manager.

Hongkong, February 12, 1900.

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THE PUNJOM MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that at a MEETING of the Board of Directors of the Company, held at the Company's Office, No. 9, Praya Central, Victoria, Hongkong on Monday, the 25th day of January, 1900, the following Resolution was passed:

That a CALL of One Dollar per Share upon all the holders of Ordinary Shares in the above Company held by them in the above Company be and the same is hereby made. Such Calls to be paid to the Company at their Bankers, the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, at their Branches, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on or before the 31st day of March, 1900.

And Notice is also given that in accordance with Article 21 of the Company's Articles of Association, interest will be charged as from the said 3rd day of March, 1900, at the rate of \$10 per centum per annum, upon all Calls remaining unpaid after the said 3rd day of March, 1900, up to the actual date of payment of the same.

Shareholders are particularly requested to note that upon presentation at the Office of the Company of the Bankers' receipt for Payment of the Call, together with the Certificate of the Shares in respect of which the Call has been Paid, an endorsement to that effect will be made upon the Certificate.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

W. H. GASKELL,
Secretary.
Hongkong, January 20, 1900.

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Intimations.

UNITED ASBESTOS ORIENTAL AGENCY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

The following CERTIFICATES, viz.:
No. 281 for 25 Shares Numbered 801/8935
" 282 for 25 " 8936/8935
" 283 for 25 " 8936/8935
dated 31st July, 1896, and Standing in the name of GEORGE J. PENNEY, having been declared LOST, Notice is hereby given that, unless the Certificates be produced at the Company's Office, Queen's Buildings, within one month of the date hereof, New Certificates will be issued by the Company and thereafter none others will be acknowledged.

DODWELL & Co., Ltd.,
General Managers,
161, February, 1900.

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Hongkong, August 12, 1899.

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THE MUSI BUSSAN KAISHA,
Ice House Street, Praia Central,
Hongkong, January 10, 1900.

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EUTHEN MARK LODGE No. 264.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in the Freemasons' Hall, Zetland Street, on

THURSDAY, the 1st March, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. VISITING BRETHREN are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, February 22, 1900.

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ZISLAND LODGE,
No. 555, E.C.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in the Freemasons' Hall, Zetland Street, on

THURSDAY, the 1st March, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. VISITING BRETHREN are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, February 22, 1900.

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DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI.

THE Company's Steamship

HAIMUN, Captain HOMES, will be despatched for the above Ports, on SUNDAY, the 25th Inst., at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LATRAIK & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, February 22, 1900.

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FOR RANGOON.

(Taking cargo at through rates to Moulin, Meiktila, Arakan Ports, Coromandel and Malabar Ports.)

THE Brit. India S. N. Co.'s Steamship CAMORTA.

Captain T. A. COLLINS, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 3rd March, at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, February 22, 1900.

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POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:-

For SWATOW, SINGAPORE & BANGKOK.

Por Cheung, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the 25th February.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.

The French Contract Packet Indus, will be despatched on MONDAY, the 26th Feb., with Mails to the United Kingdom, the Continent of Europe, and places beyond, via Marseilles to Sington, State Settlements, Batavia, French Ceylon, Madras, the Australasian Colonies, Aden, Natal and the Cape, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.

Circulars at 9 a.m.

Papers at 11.30 a.m.

Letters at 12 a.m.

Registration at 11.30 a.m.

Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 a.m.

(Late Letters, 12.10 to 12.30 p.m.)

MAILS BY THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.'S PACKET.

The Canadian Pacific Mail Packet Empress of Japan will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 14th March, with Mails for Shanghai, Japan, United States, Canada, &c., which will be closed as follows:-

10.00 a.m. Registry ceases.

(Registration, with fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 a.m.)

11.00 a.m. Post-Office closes, but Correspondence may be posted on the Packet, with the Late Fee of 10 cents extra Postage, until the time of departure.

REGISTRATION.—Correspondence can be registered for all Private Ships mails up to fifteen minutes before the time for closing; for the Shanghai-Kowloon contract mails up to a quarter of an hour before; for all other European and American Ports, up to an hour before; for Indian, Northern Pacific, and Far Eastern Ports, up to half an hour before.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer Hainan reports:

From Tsinui, heavy N.E. gale and following sea, cloudy weather; from Amoy, fresh N.E. monsoon, cloudy weather.

From Tsinui, moderate N.E. to N.W. winds, fine cloudy weather. In Amoy: 1 Japanese cruiser, and 1 German cruiser. Steamer in Swatow: Tsinui.

Miss H. White, Mr. F. Villarmoosa, Dr. Tou Foo Yuen, and 99 Chinese.

Por Stuttgart, from Hamburg, &c., Mr. A. Auerbach, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Cawthron, Rev. L. P. Davidson, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. France, Mr. J. C. Grove, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Gaylord, Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Lindholm, Miss H. Lindholm, Miss Lehman, Miss C. Meots, Mr. K. E. Pollock, Mrs. M. Rotting and child, Mr. E. Ralphs, Mr. J. H. Threw, Miss H. White, Mr. F. Villarmoosa, Dr. Tou Foo Yuen, and 99 Chinese.

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Por Stuttgart, from Hamburg

Notes by this Way.
Australia has sent upwards of 4000 men to the war.

A census will be taken in the Australian Colonies in 1901.

Now foreign exports are now retained in Japanese employ.

The fight at Spion Kop is referred to in Australian telegrams as "a perfect inferno."

It is believed that the marriage of the Crown Prince of Japan will take place in April or May next.

The Russian newspapers predict the gradual partition of China. Some of the journals also prophecy a Russo-Japanese alliance.

The warships in the harbour were decorated to-day and salutes were fired at noon in celebration of the birthday of George Washington.

The following Russian war-vessels arrived at Nagasaki from Corea on the 11th inst.—*Naturia, Sisei Yetsky, Admiral Korniloff, and Bore.*

The Japanese statistical returns show a large increase in imports last month as compared with the corresponding in 1899, and a falling in exports.

The U.S. transport *Cajon* (popularly known during the Manila blockade days as "the mutton ship") has gone to Sydney for repairs and general overhaul—and Australian mutton.

The amendment of Mr. W. Redmond, M.P., for East Clare, to the Address in Reply, was to the effect that the Transvaal war is unnecessary and unjust, and ought to be ended on the basis of the recognition of the independence of the Transvaal Republic.

In the House of Commons, Mr. A. J. Balfour has openly declared that Major-General Sir William Butler, the late Commander-in-Chief at Copeston, did not supply the War Office with information as to the resources of the Boers, or as to the necessity for extensive British preparations.

Now South Wales has won the Sheffield Shield for Australian Intercolonial Cricket. Victoria was beaten twice and South Australia once by the winning team which went down once to South Australia, and once to New Zealand, visited England last year plays the rest of a cricketing benefit of the War Relief Fund.

We would call attention to the very appropriate article entitled "Flagpole," which appears elsewhere. We hope the critics of the N.C. Daily News will be sent to every member of the Articles Club, and that it will help to dissolve the spirit that Lo Feng-hui has cast over a certain class of purblind busy-bodies in England.

Italy and Turkey.
A rupture of the friendly relations between Italy and Turkey is reported to be probable, owing to the refusal of the Turkish Government to surrender Sylvia Genueli, an Italian subject who was placed in a Turkish officer's harem. The refusal is based on the allegation that the lady has embraced Islamism.

Dr. G. E. Morrison.
Dr. G. E. Morrison, the Peking correspondent of *The Times*, arrived in Hongkong yesterday, from Australia, by the N.Y.K. steamer *Fudan Maru*. It will be remembered that he left China for Europe, via Cochin-China and India, at the end of last year. During his stay in England, he made the acquaintance of many important persons, including members and ex-members of the Cabinet, the Permanent Heads of Government Departments, &c. He understands he is going on to Tokio before returning to Peking. The presence of an impartial correspondent is much needed at Tokio at the present time. British interests can best be safeguarded when the British Minister has the representative of *The Times*, so to speak, at his elbow.

HILGROVE C. NICOLLE.
Acting Manager, Hongkong A.D.C.

THE ETIQUETTE OF CONVERSATION.
Do not argue or appear to notice other people's inaccuracies in speech.

Do not interrupt others while speaking, but listen patiently until they have finished. Remember that the good listener is generally more appreciative than the clever talker.

Do not talk of your private or family affairs except to intimate friends, and then be careful not to do so often.

Do not always begin conversation by remarking on the weather. Even in this country the topic soon becomes wearisome.

Do not talk of things which the company present cannot be interested in. By doing so you may show yourself a boor and superior person, but you will be voted.

Do not find fault needlessly even with the weather. The habit of grumbling at either people or things is most disagreeable.

Do not speak mockingly of personal defects. Somebody present may have the same fault.

Do not talk kindly or fast. A clear, distinct voice has great power.

Do not, when narrating an incident, keep on saying "You see," "You know," &c.

Do not whisper. If you have anything to say that the general company may overhear, reserve it till you and the person to whom you desire to impart it are alone.

WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued from Observatory:

On the 22nd at 11:53, the barometer has fallen slightly on the China coast, rises a little in the South. Pressure remains high over China, and a shallow depression seems to be situated in the Sea of Japan. Graduals slight fall on the coast, moderate with strong monsoon in the N.W. part of the China Sea. Forecast—moderate N.E. winds, fair.

MUSCULAR DEVELOPMENT EXTRAORDINARY. A man recently knocked down an elephant, and a rhinoceros. He was an amateur.

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The Plague.

In Honolulu, as in Japan, fire is being used as a disinfectant in plague districts. Blocks of houses were destroyed by fire, and the bodies of plague victims are incinerated.

Fatality at a Fire.

At a quarter past two o'clock, the Fire Brigade turned out to a fire which originated in a tailor's shop on the ground floor of No. 25 Queen's Road West. Before the fire was extinguished the ground and first floors were gutted and the top floor was damaged by water. The firemen found the charred body of a woman on the first floor, and had it removed to the mortuary. It was afterwards ascertained that the husband of the woman, when the alarm was raised, received the child from his wife, and rushed downstairs thinking his wife would follow. He proceeded to the Police Station and reported the fire, never thinking his wife was still in the burning building. The change is believed to be caused by insurance; but as the master has gone to London no particulars can be obtained. The origin of the conflagration is unknown.

CORRESPONDENCE.

A.D.C. AND THE PUBLIC.

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."

Hongkong, 22nd February.

Sir,—My attention has been called to a letter in your issue of 20th inst., signed by Mr. Holt, J. H. Bentley on the subject of the price charged by the A.D.C. for seats in the Stalls for the performances of the "Yeomen of the Guard."

It is gratifying to see on this occasion that the gentleman writing to you does so in his own name, and not anonymously, and for fear that members of the Public should be under the same impressions as Mr. Bentley, I will ask you to publish this letter.

The charge of \$3 for Stalls is not a new one for the earlier performances of plays where there is a large audience taking part, but as soon as the Committee of the A.D.C. have seen that expenses are assured by the "Yeomen of the Guard."

I believe that there have been instances where,

for early performances, \$3 has been sent back, large bodies of men have been sent over the passes into the Orange Free State, and everything points to a complete evacuation of Natal. General Buller's column has been pushing forward to take advantage of the best positions and to harass the retreating Boers.

In the Orange Free State there has been early hard fighting. Lord Roberts is endeavouring to isolate and capture Cronje's command. He has inflicted severe loss upon the retreating force.

For three days there was continuous desparate fighting, Cronje trying to extricate himself without being compelled to surrender. In one combined attempt to carry the hurriedly-entrenched position, the British troops were repulsed with heavy losses, the Highland regiments again receiving terrible punishment.

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[Our Special Telegram to-day probably has reference to the fight at Paardeberg previously reported. Apparently, Cronje, driven to bay, has succeeded in preventing the capture of the main body of his army. It was mentioned in telegrams during the week that the Highland Brigade had joined the force that had gone in pursuit of Cronje, leaving the Guards Brigade, under Lord Methuen, to occupy Kimberley and complete the work on the Western frontier. The A.D.C. have current expenditure all through the year, and must keep some balance in hand to meet it. At the commencement of our financial year we had a balance in hand of \$329; of this, up to date, we have expended \$620 in professional wages, charities, &c., leaving a balance of \$300. To this must be added the professional wage for two plays we have already staged this season, which amount to \$414 thus giving a total of \$714 to carry on for the remaining three months of the financial year and to cover current expenses for the next year.]

It is evident that we could not afford to run the "Yeomen of the Guard" at a loss and that we had to look to making some profit on it. Our last experience of Comic Opera was when we staged "Les Cloches de Corneville" in 1897. Six performances were given, and the charge for Stalls, all through, was \$2. The total sum realized was \$425, and had we charged \$3, we could only have counted for certain on realizing as much as this.

Apologizing for trespassing on your space at such length, I remain, Sir, yours faithfully,

HILGROVE C. NICOLLE,
Acting Manager, Hongkong A.D.C.

THE ETIQUETTE OF CONVERSATION.

Do not argue or appear to notice other people's inaccuracies in speech.

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Do not talk of things which the company present cannot be interested in. By doing so you may show yourself a boor and superior person, but you will be voted.

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Do not speak mockingly of personal defects. Somebody present may have the same fault.

Do not talk kindly or fast. A clear, distinct voice has great power.

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THE RELIEF OF LADYSMITH.

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OFFICERS SUFFER TERRIBLY.

GENERAL HECTOR MACDONALD DANGEROUSLY WOUNDED.

(From our Special Correspondent.)

London, February 22, 1:10 a.m.

The telegrams coming through from South Africa state that Ladysmith is virtually relieved, although the actual entry of General Buller's column is not yet officially announced. For several days, the Boer forces have been withdrawn from their defensive positions between the Tugela River and Ladysmith, their artillery having been sent back, large bodies of men have been sent over the passes into the Orange Free State, and everything points to a complete evacuation of Natal. General Buller's column has been pushing forward to take advantage of the best positions and to harass the retreating Boers.

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